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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

DEPT PASS OPIC COMMERCE AND BUMINES

DEPT FOR DAVID CHRISTENSEN (AF/S)

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EMIN, SF, WZ

SUBJECT: SWAZILAND BARITE DEPOSIT

REF: A. JOHANNESBURG 0576, B. JOHANNESBURG 0543

1. ON APRIL 27, CHARLES LIPTON, LAWYER FOR SWAZI NATION, CALLED ON EMBASSY TO DISCUSS BARITE DEPOSITS. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION, LIPTON NOTED THAT OWNERSHIP OF DEPOSITS COULD NEITHER BE SOLD NOR TRANSFERRED QUOTE WITHOUT THE EXPRESSED WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE NGWENYAMA (PARA 4, REFTEL B) END QUOTE. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE KING HAD NOT RPT NOT GRANTED THIS CONSENT FOR SERVAL YEARS.

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2. COMMENT: LIPTON, WHO IS AN AMCIT, WAS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF BOTH THE ETHICS AND BUSINESS ABILITY OF KLIPIN AND CRABTREE. WHILE HE WAS UNAWARE OF THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH ATCHISON, HE NOTED THAT SEVERAL TIMES IN THE PAST THEY HAD TRIED WITHOUT SUCCESS TO LEASE THE BARITE MINE.
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